

HOUSE BILL 3380

By Odom

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-7-2404, relative to services provided by chiropractic physicians.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-7-2404, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection:

(d)

(1) For purposes of this subsection, "health insurance entity" means any entity subject to the insurance laws and regulations of this state, or subject to the jurisdiction of the commissioner of commerce and insurance, that contracts with health care providers in connection with a plan of health insurance, health benefits, or health services.

(2) No health insurance entity shall impose a co-payment or coinsurance charge, a deductible, a limitation on number of visits, or a dollar limitation on benefits for services rendered by a chiropractic physician licensed under title 63, chapter 4, that is greater than the co-payment or coinsurance charge, deductible, limitation on number of visits, or dollar limitation on benefits which is imposed for the services of a physician licensed under title 63, chapters 6 or 9, for the same or similar diagnosed condition or conditions, even if different nomenclature is used to describe the condition.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2008, and shall apply to all policies or plans of insurance issued thereafter.